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Foreword

This volume contains the Proceedings of the Second International Workshop on *Synchronous Languages, Applications, and Programs (SLAP)*.

This workshop is a more formally organized counterpart of the informal *Open Workshop on Synchronous Programming*, held each year in December, since 1994, where research results as well as ongoing work are presented without peer review, and without publication. In contrast, for SLAP, we organized a peer review process, and publication as a volume of *Electronic Notes in Theoretical Computer Science (ENTCS)*. After SLAP 2002 in Grenoble, SLAP 2003 is the second workshop of the series, and we hope that the SLAP workshop will continue to be held yearly, and will eventually become an established and renowned conference.

The workshop will take place on July 1st, 2003, as a satellite event of the *Euromicro Conference on Real-Time Systems (ECRTS)*, in Porto, Portugal.

This year, we received 15 papers from 8 different countries and 3 different continents! The papers were evaluated by the following programme committee:

- Jean-Louis Colaço (Esterel Technologies, France)
- Stephen Edwards (Columbia University, USA)
- Gerhard Folher (Malardalen University, Sweden)
- Thierry Gautier (Irisa, France)
- Alain Girault (Inria Rhne-Alpes, France)
- Florence Maraninchi (chair, INPG - Verimag, France)
- Paritosh Pandya (Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, India)
- Marc Pouzet (University of Paris VI - Lip6, France)
- Eric Rutten (Inria Rhne-Alpes, France)
- Ellen Sentovich (Cadence Berkeley Lab, USA)

- Robert de Simone (Inria Sophia-Antipolis, France)
- Martin Torngren (Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden)

Out of the 15 submissions, the programme committee decided to accept 7 papers, in order to provide ample space for oral presentation, while at the same time leaving space for discussions as well as a round table.

We would like to thank all the authors, the referees, and the participants. Many thanks also to INRIA who accepted to sponsor the event and to print the proceedings, and to the ECRTS organizers. We will do our best to make SLAP the place where original and interesting results related to synchronous software or systems are presented and discussed.

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